

APPENDIX B

INTERFERENCE INITIAL MEMORANDUM

Count # _____

To the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences: An interference is proposed involving the following 2 parties

PARTY: Rudolf FUCHS	APPLICATION NO.: 09/246,050	FILING DATE: 2/8/99	PATENT NO., IF ANY: 6,293,039 B1	ISSUE DATE, IF ANY: 9/25/01
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If the involved case is a patent, have its maintenance fees been paid? Yes No Not due yet X

Proposed priority benefit (list all intervening applications necessary for continuity):

COUNTRY	APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	PATENT NO., IF ANY	ISSUE DATE, IF ANY
Germany	198 05 306	2/10/98		

The claim(s) of this party corresponding to this count: **Claims 1-19**PATENTED OR PATENTABLE PENDING CLAIMS: **Claims 1-19**

UNPATENTABLE PENDING CLAIMS

The claim(s) of this party NOT corresponding to this count: **None**

PATENTED OR PATENTABLE PENDING CLAIMS:

UNPATENTABLE PENDING CLAIMS

PARTY: Jonathan BUCKLEY et al.	APPLICATION NO.: 09/270,461	FILING DATE: 3/15/99	PATENT NO., IF ANY	ISSUE DATE, IF ANY
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If the involved case is a patent, have its maintenance fees been paid? Yes No Not due yet

Proposed priority benefit (list all intervening applications necessary for continuity):

COUNTRY	APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	PATENT NO., IF ANY	ISSUE DATE, IF ANY

The claim(s) of this party corresponding to this count: **Claims 25-29**PATENTED OR PATENTABLE PENDING CLAIMS: **Claims 25-29**

UNPATENTABLE PENDING CLAIMS

The claim(s) of this party NOT corresponding to this count: **None**

PATENTED OR PATENTABLE PENDING CLAIMS:

UNPATENTABLE PENDING CLAIMS

(Check off each step, if applicable) **INSTRUCTIONS**

- 1. Obtain all files listed above.
- 2. Confirm that the proposed involved claims are still active and all corrections and entered amendments have been considered. The patents must not be expired for, among other things, failure to pay a maintenance fee (Check PALM screen 2970).
- 3. If one of the involved files is a published application or a patent, check for compliance with 35 U.S.C. 135(b).
- 4. Obtain a certified copy of any foreign benefit documents where necessary (37 CFR 1.55(a)).
- 5. Discuss the proposed interference with an Interference Practice Specialist in your Technology Center.

DATE	PRIMARY EXAMINER (signature)	ART UNIT	TELEPHONE NO.
DATE	INTERFERENCE PRACTICE SPECIALIST or TECHNOLOGY CENTER DIRECTOR (signature)		TELEPHONE NO.